CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method of providing emergency information to a user computer connected to a system of networked computers, the method comprising:

receiving a first request for an action from the user computer over the system of networked computers; and

interrupting the first request for the action by sending emergency information to be displayed on the user computer to the user computer over the system of networked computers.

- 2. The method of Claim 1, further comprising sending information that is responsive to the first request for the action to the user computer over the system of networked computers.
- 3. The method of Claim 2, wherein sending information that is responsive to the first request for the action occurs after a predetermined amount of time.
- 4. The method of Claim 2, wherein sending information that is responsive to the first request for the action occurs after receiving a second request for an action.
- 5. The method of Claim 4, wherein the second request for the action comprises a request for additional emergency information generated in response to a user of the user computer clicking on a specified area in the emergency information displayed on the user computer.
- 6. The method of Claim 5, further comprising sending additional emergency information to be displayed on the user computer in response to the second request for the action.
- 7. The method of Claim 1, wherein the first request for the action comprises a request to view a web page.
- 8. The method of Claim 1, wherein the emergency information is provided by a governmental entity.

- 9. The method of Claim 1, wherein the emergency information comprises information regarding a weather related emergency.
- 10. The method of Claim 1, wherein the emergency information comprises information regarding a computer virus.
- 11. The method of Claim 1, wherein the emergency information is provided to a plurality of user computers.
- 12. A method of receiving emergency information at a user computer connected to a system of networked computers, the method comprising:

receiving a first user request for an action from a user of the user computer;

transmitting the first user request for the action to a server over the system of networked computers;

receiving emergency information in response to the first user request for the action instead of receiving information that is responsive to the first request for the action; and

displaying the emergency information on the user computer.

- 13. The method of Claim 12, wherein the emergency information fills an entire screen display on the user computer.
- 14. The method of Claim 12, wherein the emergency information flashes on the screen display on the user computer.
- 15. The method of Claim 12, wherein the emergency information is displayed in a color that is noticeable.
- 16. The method of Claim 12, further comprising receiving information that is responsive to the first request for the action.
- 17. The method of Claim 12, further comprising receiving a second user request for an action.
 - 18. The method of Claim 17, wherein the second

request for the action is a request for additional emergency information.

19. The method of Claim 18, further comprising: receiving the additional emergency information; and

displaying the additional emergency information.